

CHRONOLOGY

of events concerned in the transfer of the organization and management of former Foreign Publications Branch, State to the CIA Library. (17 December 1952 - 24 October 1953.)

(Events starred with an asterisk (*) indicate that a copy of the subject memorandum is attached)

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| 1. * EIC-S-4, Proposal for the Handling of Foreign Language Documents, recommended that CIA be directed to establish an organization to perform, as a service of common concern, activities pertaining to the collection, utilization, and storage of foreign language documents... | 17 Dec 52 |
| 2. NSCID-16, Subject: Foreign Language Publications, directs the DCI to "insure the coordination of the procurement of foreign language publications for intelligence purposes..." and shall provide services to IAC Agencies "preparing and disseminating English language excerpts, summaries, abstracts, and compilations...and developing and maintaining indexes, accession lists, and reference services...". | 7 Mar 53 |
| 3. * Memorandum DD/I to AD/O and AD/CD Subject: Instruction for the Implementation of NSCID-16, outlined OO and OCD responsibilities and directed that OCD establish in "Y" Bldg. a Branch of the CIA Library to function as the focal point of procurement, receipt, and retention of foreign language publications in the Agency. | 10 Apr 53 |
| 25X1A9a 4. * Memorandum [REDACTED] to Special Asst., Intelligence, State and DD/I, CIA, Subject: Foreign Publications, proposed that a CIA officer to be appointed in a dual capacity to serve as Special Asst. to the Director, OLI, and to be in charge of the centralized procurement activity in CIA; also transfer activities of FPB/IAD to CIA. | 17 Apr 53 |
| 5. * Memorandum DD/I to AD/CD and AD/O, Subject: FDD-CIA Library Agreement, outlines details of FPB/CIA Library and FDD functions under new organization. | 7 May 53 |

- 25X1A9a 6. * Memorandum Deputy CIA Librarian to Exec/CD, Subject: Implementation of NSCID-16, transmitted Staff Study outlining details of space, equipment, T/O, organization and operation, and budget of FPB/CIA Library - (Discussed by Executive with AD/IC and Mr. [REDACTED], then returned for rewriting.) 29 May 53

7. Discussions with Chief, FDD; Director, OLI; OCD Admin. Staff, and others, in efforts to get action on 17 April 53 paper and on internal CIA Library-FDD reorganization. June-July 53

8. Memorandum for the Record, Subject: Bibliographic References and Cataloging, set up coordinated activities between new FPB/CIA Library and Reference and Book Branches. 16 June 53

- 25X1A9a 9. * Memorandum [REDACTED] Subject: FPB/CIA Library made suggestions for revision of Staff Study. 17 June 53

- 25X1A9a 10. * Memorandum for the Record, Subject: Foreign Publications reports on [REDACTED] conversations with [REDACTED] OLI, on effects of State budget cuts. 23 June 53
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11. Admin. Officer, CD, requested security check on all present personnel of DCB/FDD. 24 June 53
(All were subsequently reported cleared.)

- ✓ 12. * Draft "Agreement Between the Department of State and the CIA for the Implementation of NSCID-16" approved by AD/IC and AD/CD and presented to [REDACTED] for discussion in State. 2 July 53
(No final commitment to be made until both State and CIA budget picture is clarified.) 25X1A9a

13. Staff Study (cf. items 6 and 9) rewritten and held in draft form pending further developments. July 53

- 25X1A9a 14. * Memorandum, AD/O to Chief, FDD, Subject: Implementation of CIA Library/FPB, reported agreement among AD/O, DAD/CD, [REDACTED] (DD/I) and [REDACTED] (OIC), that only 13 people and slots would be transferred from OO/FDD to CIA Library/OCD. Directed speed up. 2 July 53
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15. * Memorandum, Deputy CIA Librarian to DAD/CD, Subject: Organization of Foreign Publications Branch, transmitted organization and operation plans and list of personnel and T/O positions to be transferred from FDD. 8 July 53
(Approved by AD/CD 10 July 53. Copies transmitted to FDD for info, and Admin. Officer, CD, for implementation, 13 July 53.) 13 July 53

16. * Memorandum from Executive, CD to DD/A complex, to effect T/O changes. 14 July 53
- 25X1A9a 17. Conversations between [REDACTED] determined that former DCB/FDD personnel who so desired would be released for transfer to CIA Library/FPB when slots became available. 14-17 July 53
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18. Agreement reached between Chief, FPB/CIA Library and Chief, BR/FDD, concerning responsibilities of FPB and BR for activities formerly handled by DCB. 15 July 53
19. Six of eight personnel from DCB/FDD retained by FDD physically transferred and established as a Screening Unit under Reports Branch, FDD. 17 July 53
20. Memorandum for Record, Subject: Reference and Circulation Activities of Branch 4 (FPB) reports results of conference between [REDACTED] designed to integrate forms, methods, and procedures of new FPB with Main Library. 17 July 53
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21. Memorandum, Chief, FPB to Chief, BD/FDD, Subject: Proposed Reference Procedures, outlines reference and circulation services of new FPB to FDD. 20 July 53
22. Memorandum for Record, Subject: Scheduling of Transfer of Activities from Book Branch to FPB, reports results of conference of [REDACTED] to plan orderly transfer. 20 July 53
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- 25X1A9a 23. * Memorandum prepared by [REDACTED] for Becker to AD/IC. Subject: [REDACTED] 21 July 53
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- 25X1A9a 24. * [REDACTED] informed AD/IC and [REDACTED] would sign off on FPB. Conf. - Amory, AD/CD, AD/IC discussed need for additional 15 slots in OCD to absorb State personnel. Decision: Amory signed - agrees in principle. 15 slots would have to be provided from entire Agency, probably one slot from OCD. Becker - Reber to inform [REDACTED] 22 July 53
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- 25X1A9a 25. Conference [REDACTED], then [REDACTED] set up policy and procedures for getting PHSs and rush provisional clearances for FPB/IAD 15 people. 23 July 53
26. Memo to Liaison Div. "Distribution of information to FPB." 23 July 53

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27. Memo to Chief, FDD: Reallocation of space in [redacted] Bldg. to give Library all of Wing 2. 27 July 53

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28. * [redacted] signed off on staff study. 31 July 53

29. Preparation of PRC paper and submission to DD/I 10-11 Aug 53

30. PRC paper subject discussed by FLP. 10 Aug 53

31. Sheldon, Acting DDI, did not concur. Questions raised whether there were other methods of getting 18 slots. Suggest reduce book funds. Would get only 3 people as result. 21 August - Reber called meeting of all offices, submitted rec. to DD/I that DCI's 100 slots be tapped - or failing that each office kick in. 24-28 August. DDI (Amory) discussed with Cabell. 18-31 Aug 53

✓ 32. * Memorandum from AD/IC to DD/I on State-CIA Agreement to Implement the Agreed Transfer of FPB/State to CIA. 27 Aug 53

33. Meeting Reber, [redacted] promised to expedite security clearance (provisional) on all FPB employees selected for transfer so they could be on CIA payroll 11 Sep. 3 Sep 53
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34. * Memorandum from AD/IC to DD/I on 25X1A6a and Recommendations 3 Sep 53
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on the State Letter of 26 Aug on [redacted]

35. All PHSs forwarded to Pers for Security. 4 Sep 53

36. Amory agreed that 18 slots would be provided - these to come from entire Agency or alternatively from within DD/I depending on DCI decision. 4 Sep 53

37. Question of SA/P or no SA/P to be discussed by Amory with Dulles. No paper here. Was it discussed? 8 Sep 53

38. Prepared staff study on procurement. 9 Sep 53

39. Prepared proposed T/O for FPB. 9 Sep 53

25X1A9a 40. [redacted] informed by Becker that latest conversations between 21 Oct 53
25X1A9a Reber and [redacted] indicate that the position of SA/P will remain in State Department and not be filled by CIA.

41. Arrangements completed for the move of FPB to "Y" Bldg. in an unclassified area, Rooms 1019 - 1021-A, 1027 pending final clearance of the personnel. Move is to take place on 22 October. 21 Oct 53

42. On October 22 and 23, Foreign Publications Branch, State
Department moved to "Y" Building.

24 Oct 53